THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Encouragement to Indian Talent in Music and Art Forms

1168. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any policy to protect and nurture Indian talent in music and other cultural art forms;

(b) whether it is a fact that the entry of foreign TV greatly affects the opportunities for Indian artists: and

(c) if so, the manner in which Government propose to ensure that Doordarshan increases facilities for a wide range of Indian artists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) The Government has a number of scheme for prttecting and nurturing Indian talent in music and other cultural art forms involving financial assistance, scholarships and fellowships.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) One of the primary functions of Doordarshan is to provide a platform, through its channels, to the abundant talent available within the country in the field of music and other cultural art forms.

Selection of news-casters

1169. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that no proper guidelines have been evolved for short listing of applications for the post of News-casters; and

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that no proper guidelines have been evolved for recruitment of News-casters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

Graduate of film Institutes and National School of Drama

1170. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of students having passed from Film Institutes and National School of Dramas, who were absorbed in service of Doordarshan and Akashvani;

(b) whether the graduate students from Film Institution and NSD and allied Government Registered Institutes extended opportunties of carrying out production of TV serials;

(c) if not, the reasons thereof;

(d) whether Government propose to reserve quota of Doordarshan serials without bank guarantee to the graduates from Film Institutes and allied institutes; and

(e) whether Government have any proposal for opening of new channel for the Film Institute's graduates and students to prove their merit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) Such information is not maintained centrally in a compiled form.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) and (e) There is no such proposal at present.

कुल्लू में आकाशवाणी केन्द्र की स्थापना

1171. **श्री महेश्वर सिंह :** क्या **सूचना और प्रसारण** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंग कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उनके मंत्रालय ने कुल्लू, हिमाचल प्रदेश में आकाशवाणी केन्द्र, की स्थापना हेतु स्वीकृति प्रदान कर दी है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो कब और क्या उक्त केन्द्र के लिए आवश्यक भूमि उपलब्ध करा दी गई है और वहां आकाशवाणी केन्द्र की स्थापना के कार्य की अद्यतन स्थिति क्या है ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री : (श्री के०पी० सिंह देव) : (क) और (ख) जी, हां। हिमाचल प्रदेश में कुल्लू स्थित टी०वी० रिले केन्द्र के साथ 2 × 3 कि०वा०एफ०एम० ट्रांसमीटर सहित आकाशवाणी का रिले केन्द्र, अभिग्रहण सुविधाएं तथा स्टाफ क्वार्टर स्थापित किए गए हैं। उक्त परियोजना परीक्षण अधीन है और इसके 1995–96 में शुरू हो जाने की आशा है ।

Broadcast station at Krishnagiri

1172. SHRI S. VIDUTHALAI VIRUMBI:
SHRI K. K. VEERAPPAN:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government would consider to install Radio Broadcasting Service Station at Krishnagiri in Dharmapuri district in Tamil Nadu since it is very difficult to avail the services either from Trichy Station or from Madras Station;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) to (c) While there is no plan to install radio station at Krishnagiri, a proposal to set up a 2x3 KW FM transmitter with multi-purpose studio at Dharmapuri is under consideration. Upon its completion, the same will provide reliable radio coverage to Krishnagiri. The implementation of the scheme, would however depend upon availability of adequate financial resources.

Television programmes in Haryana

1173. SHRI S. S. SURJEWALA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal for a full fledged T.V. station in Haryana for Haryanvi dialect;

(b) if so, the details in this regard, if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government propose to start making T.V. programmes in Haryanvi to promote Haryanvi culture and spread awareness in the interest of Haryana State;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) what steps have been taken by Government to encourage Haryanvi films at national level; and

(f) the number of such films to whom national awards have been given?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K P SINGH DEO): (a) and (b) A TV Studio centre alongwith a high power transmitter is envisaged to be set up at Hissar.